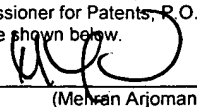


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated June 17, 2004, for which a response was due on September 17, 2004, and for which a three-month extension of time is also requested to extend the time for response from September 17, 2004, to December 17, 2004, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: